



# Ark Priory Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week here at Ark Priory! This week we had the launch of EasyPeasy for our EYFS parents, two class trips, STEM Day as well as a musical experience for Year 3 on Tuesday as well as our normal school lessons!

You will also find that your child's mid-term report has been sent home with them today. If you would like to discuss anything with your child's class teacher, please contact them directly via email to arrange an appointment.

During our final week of this half term, we will be holding again our Parent Open Mornings, where you can come and see what school life is like at Ark Priory. As a reminder, these will be held of the following dates for these classes from 8.45am until 9.30am: *Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February for Year 1 and Year 3, Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February for Year 2 and Year 4 and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February for Year 5 and Reception. Nursery Open Morning will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February with AM Nursery at 9am-9.30am and PM Nursery at 13.00-13.30pm.* Thank you.

For our Year 5 parents, Peter Haylock, Executive Principal at Ark BDA, Ark Sloane and Ark Acton will be coming to talk to you about Secondary Transfers on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 9am** in our school hall. *This is for Ark Priory Year 5 parents only.*

Please can you make sure your child/children are coming to school dressed in the appropriate clothing. We have had some children wearing the Ark Priory summer uniform. This includes the PE uniform please can you make sure your child is wearing the PE tracksuit bottoms. Many thanks.

Miss Grasso

## Music Outreach Visit for Year 3

On Tuesday 22nd January, Year 3 students received a special visit from a group of musicians from Ealing Music and Film Festival. The musicians performed a selection of songs, played on the flute, violin and double bass. Year 3 students explored a range of rhythms and melodies, and used their own vocal cords and hands to sing and play percussion. Year 3 worked as an ensemble to create their very own harmonised song to accompany a story, and performed it together at the end of the workshop. Thank you Ealing Music and Film Festival for visiting us!



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## Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the week is:

**97.5%**

Class Attendance:

1. Fleming 99%
2. Brunel 98.4%
3. Pankhurst 98.1%

Well done to Fleming class!  
Let's see which class is the first to gain 100% attendance!



## Stars and Authors of the Week

Well done to this week's Stars! **Our Authors of the Week are in green!**

	Class	Child's Name	Class	Child's Name
5	MOZART	Sofia S	MONET	Marcel Charlie
4	CURIE	Oliwia	FLEMING	Moheiddin Layla
3	ARCHIMEDES	Madeha Lucas	BRUNEL	Fleur
2	SHARMAN	Samirah Zyad	ARMSTRONG	Hamza
1	PANKHURST	Tyreece	SEACOLE	Sofia F Molly

### Year 1 Visit to the Museum of London



Year 1 loved exploring the different centuries in London history. We saw how fire equipment had changed since 1666, took a walk down a typical Victorian street and even saw the 'London 2012 Cauldron' that was used in the opening ceremonies of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games!

We also want to say a huge thank you to our parent helpers! ☺

### Year 4 Visit to the Natural History Museum



Year 4 enjoyed looking at the evolution of the human skull in the Human Evolution exhibition whilst at the Natural History Museum. We also followed our very own trail to start thinking about our next STEM topic of living things. We discussed classifying animals, their habitats and their adaptation which helps them survive. We even saw some extinct animals and began thinking about why they became extinct!

Thank you to all the parent helpers we had for your support on the day!

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## PSHE News

We would like to give a huge thank you to one of our parents **Jovana Tomas**, who gave up her time to share her expertise and giving a very informative talk to the staff about Mental Health in the build up to Children's Mental Health Week on 5th Feb.

We also had a visit from our local police team and they gave a talk to children from Year 1-5 about Stranger Danger. They were very excited to see a riot van and try on some of the gear.



## THE ZONES OF REGULATION®

You may have heard your children talking about the Zones of Regulation. This is an approach that we have introduced across the whole school in order to enable children to develop a rich emotional vocabulary and build a bank of tools or strategies to help them self-regulate and understand their emotions. Below are a few links from the Zones of Regulation website that you can watch if you are interested in getting a better understanding of this approach.

<http://www.zonesofregulation.com/learn-more-about-the-zones.html>

## School Library Timetable:

Classes have library time on the following days. Please make sure to pack your child's library book on the correct day so they can exchange it for a new one. Thank you.

	13.40-14.05	14.05-14.30	14.30-14.55	14.55-15.20	15.20-15.45
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	CURIE	FLEMING	MOZART	ARMSTRONG	MONET
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	SEACOLE	SHARMAN	BRUNEL	ARCHIMEDES	PANKHURST
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>				COLUMBUS	SHACKLETON

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## APPAA Notices

**Year 1 Bakesale:** Well done to Year 1 Parents and Carers who raised £278 at last Friday's bakesale - what a great start to fundraising for 2019! And it drew a huge crowd, thanks to all who supported! All proceeds will go towards enrichment and activities for all our children.

**Next Bakesale:** We look forward to the first bakesale hosted by our Reception Parents and Carers on Friday 8 February.

**Second Hand Uniform Sale:** APPAA will run a second hand uniform sale alongside Reception Bake Sale on Fri 8 February. Parents and Carers, we would love your donations of Ark Priory logo uniform, PE kits, winter coats, etc especially larger sizes. Please give donations to your APPAA reps in the playground or drop into the school office.

**The Giving Machine:** we received our latest payment from The Giving Machine last week - for £77.14! Thank you to those Parents and Carers who are registered to support Ark Priory via The Giving Machine - at no effort or expense to them, they have raised money for the school doing their own online shopping! Please consider signing up if you haven't already

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/ark-priory-primary>

Contact us on [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:appaacommittee@gmail.com) to find out about how you can get involved and follow APPAA on Twitter @APPAA\_ArkPriory for all the latest updates.

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